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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Mark Manuel

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION (ELECTION/RESTRICTION)

Applicants' respond to the Office Action mailed on 04/22/03 (hereinafter referred to as the "Office Action") in the following manner:

The Applicant's undersigned attorney thanks the Examiner for a kind and thorough of the Application. In the Office Action, the Examiner has indicated that an election/restriction is required. Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1 - 18) as delineated in the Office Action. This election is made without waiving the Applicant's right to file divisional applications based upon the un-elected claims.

If the Examiner has any further questions regarding this matter, he is invited to call Applicants' undersigned attorney at (248) 324-7787.

Respectfully submitted

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Response to Office Action (Election/Restricton) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service in an envelope as First Class Mail addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this <u>22</u> day of May 2003.

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